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After a very fair Microsoft settlement it is troubling to hear the continued vicious attacks by over zealous prosecutors jealous competitors and members of the house and senate. These are egotistical squabling groups seeking more compensation and control of commerce. I have benefitted from Microsoft Software I have found it to be very reasonable and most of all I like the way it minimizes compatability problems leaving the developers the options to freely design other competitive applications consumers are lookinf for. Last Thursady Microsoft announced 4th earnings which included a charge of \$660 million three quarters of a billion dollars or 8 cents a share. Friday after reporting the stock fell another 4 points. Folks that is roughly 16 billion in market value 25 times the amount of Microsoft's earning charge. This litigation has impacted every consumer directly or ibdirectly. Charities retirement funds and our struggling economy. It is disgusting and shameful to allow this money to go into the pockets of the greedy ruthless lawyers. Let the consumer sort it out unnecessary lawsuits against technology is choking innovation and the consumers are paying the higher costs of all goods.